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#### Abstract

The new federation of Egypt, Libya and Syria will have, we are told, "one president, one flaz one anthem and one federal one flag, one anthem and one federal It will also have, apparently, only one policy capart from the rather vague goal of "democratic sociallism"): no peace with In other respects, the federation plan has been pursued more cautiously, and to that extent wfth greater hopes for success. than the brief eariler venture under Nasser that gave Egypt its present nama of the United the rock on which Nasser's plan spilt- geographically and politically-dilvided from the other members. It also falls to include the geographically logical but politically divlded Sudan-at least for the present. But an ideal that could be of great serviee to the peoples included in the program, and But the uncompromisng stand on Israel, particularis at a moment when there is $a t$ least a falnt trace of movement toward some partial settlement, involving. perhaps, the reopening of the Suez Canal and a lumited Irraell withdrawai in Sinai, vitiates most of the hope contained in Presldent Sadst's the hope contained in Prestlent Sadat's federalism. The danger was always present in the plan: SyIian and Libyan intransigence contrasted from the ffrst with Egyptan overtores toward peace. And the atitude during the gestation any real movemen Nevertheless, the coalition of Libya's bill Hons of oil dollars with Espots milions Hons of oil dollars with Esyptis millions people (Syria remains the weakest point the federation), united in what seems to be a league agalnst peace is a potentlally tragic Middle East, it could have been in the force for economic development, from which the whole region might well have benestiod. Under the circumstances, it is more ifkely to mean war. formula, such as non-belligerence, will permilt the gradual creation of a state of actual peaca. This would certainly be in Egypt's sources, with direct cooming tts own of re pean markets, has littile direct to Euro concern in events beyond the Suez And it would be in Israel's interest as well: The new federation, backed by the Soviet Union, might a much tougher antagonist than growing worry in the United States over Israel's persistent search for an illasory strategic frontier that could be successfully help. The Arabs are pursuing their own rlunslons in thetr league against peace, as they have so often in the past: it is time for both sides to face reality, under what formula statesmanshtp may devise.


## Looking In on Vietnam

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## International Opinion

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one that would entall some loss of face for Chang Kail-shek, but certainly not to surreqder 14 minion Fo

From Le Figaro (Paris).

## In the International Edition

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